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SUBJECT: U.S.-POLISH AVIATION CONSULTATIONS

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1. ON MARCH 13, AN EMBASSY OFFICER MET WITH LUKASIK OF THE
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO DISCUSS THE BILATERAL CONSUTTA-
TIONS ON AIR TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 3 IN
WASHINGTON. AS A RESULT OF A MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF
THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE CIVIL AVIATION ADMINIS-
TRATION, LUKASIK REQUESTED THE CONSULTATIONS BE POSTPONED FOR
ONE MONTH. HE SAID THE POLISH SIDE WOULD THEN BE BETTER
PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE WIDE RANGE OF ISSUES TO BE COVERED IN
THESE TALKS. IF THE CONSULTATIONS WERE HELD IN APRIL,
LUKASIK SAID, THE POLISH SIDE WOULD STILL ATTEND BUT THE
AGENDA WOULD HAVE TO LIMITED TO ONLY THE MOST PRESSING
PROBLEMS.

2. LUKASIK SAID PAN AO'S TARIFF APPLICATION HAS RECEIVED
"FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION", AND A REPLY WILL FORTHCOMING
WITHIN A WEEK. SINCE THE MOST URGENT MATTERS SUCH AS
TARIFFS HAVE BEEN RESOLVED, LUKASIK SAID THE GOP WOULD
WELCOME A DELAY TO EVALUATE THE RESULTS OF 1977 AIR
TRAFFIC FLOW BETWEEN THE U.S. AND POLAND.

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3. THE EMBASSY OFFICER POINTED OUT THAT PAN AM HAS NOT
RECEIVED A REPLY TO ITS APPLICATION FOR VIENNA
ROUTING. LUKASIK SAID THE GOP WISHED TO BRING THIS MATTER
UP AT THE CONSULTTUONS AND, IN EFFECT, USE PAN AM'S
REQUEST AS A BARGAINING CHIP TO GAIN LOT ACCESS TO CHICAGO.
LUKA IK PROMISED TO ASCERTAINWHETHER A MORE TIMELY DECISION

COULD REACHED.

4. LUKASIK SAID THE GOP HAS NOT REACHED A DECISION ON
CHARTERS (SEE REFTEL PARA 5.)

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE LET US KNOW WHETHER THE ONE
MONTH POSTPONEMENT IS ACCEPTABLE.

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